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From: George Brett <ghb@concert.net>
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I got mail today from Clifford he says Jan 27-28 or Feb 3-4 for the WAIS rollout workshop here in NC. He is excited about it. I would prefer the Feb 3-4 dates myself.... can you make it?

I'll try to call again this afternoon and evening.
best -- george

Yes, that is ok with me. we should find out if we are conflicting with any library, networking, or IR conferences.

If this will be a full-fledged conference, then that is short notice, but we can do it.

on a plane this weekend, I scribbled some notes... what do you think?
It is far from done.

If its ok, lets work in ascii until the final version. I had ottavia try to convert your last document to ascii.

-brewster

Mission Statement for NCSC WAIS conference

The Wide Area Information Servers is an electronic publishing system, started by Thinking Machines, that is already freely available on many computer platforms. Fundamentally, a remote information retrieval system, WAIS offers user-friendly multimedia access to distant resources using networks such as the internet, X.25, and modems.

This 2 day conference launches the NCSC WAIS Center by gathering those that have worked on the WAIS program and those that would like to understand how WAIS can offer an electronic publishing backbone for network information distribution.

* Include demonstrations of all public interfaces and services available on WAIS.

* Speakers will include those that have created the tools and where the efforts are going. Both industry and academic projects will be presented.

* Users of the technology will discuss how it has already effected their organizations and what there plans are for future development.

Demonstrations will include:

- Macintosh interface,
- X windows and Motif interfaces,
- NeXT interface,
- DOS and Microsoft Windows interfaces,

- Connection Machine server technology,
- Unix-based server technology,

over 100 databases in over 6 countries that are accessible through WAIS interfaces on the internet.

Questions:

- New CM technology?
- Dow Jones over DowVision?
- NeXT native interface?

Organizing Committee:

Speakers:

- Brewster Kahle on the architecture and vision,
- Clifford Lynch on Z39.50
- NeXT's view of integrated DB's (?)
- Greg Baber(?) on DowJones
- George Brett on NCSC's role with WAIS
- Tom Erickson on the Rosebud interface

- Franklin Davis on the Thinking Machines experience
- Jim Fullton on the NCSC experience
- Robin Palmer on Peat Marwick experience
- WAIS and Core?
- San Diego Library experiment (brett butler?)

- WAIS as documentation system,
- WAIS as library system,
- WAIS as commercial publishing system
- WAIS as customer support system

Want: k-12, librarian,

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- John Curran
- John Quarterman
- Mitch Kapor
- Danny Hillis
- NeXT guy in utah

Organizing committee:

- Brewster
- George Brett

Invite:

Bill Dunn, Charlie Brady, Clare Hart, Greg Baber

Apple Rosebud folk

Thinking Machines WAIS people: Tracy, jonathan, morris, fad, ephraim,
gordon, waltz, stanfill, ottavia

Peat Marwick: robin palmer, Webb? etc

Karen Roubichek (faxon)

The press? Markoff Dyson

Mike Lesk